

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

RONALD J. ALLISON,

Plaintiff

Case No. 2:21-cv-01395-JAD-NJK

ORDER

v.

CLARK COUNTY COURTS, *et al.*,

Defendants

I. DISCUSSION

On July 26, 2021, Plaintiff, an inmate currently located at Southern Adult Mental Health Services, submitted a document titled Class Action Lawsuit. Docket No. 1-1. Plaintiff has not submitted an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or paid the full \$402 filing fee in this matter.

Complaint

The Court notes that Plaintiff has titled his document at Docket No. 1-1 Class Action Lawsuit. However, a person who is not represented by an attorney may not file a class action lawsuit. In addition, Plaintiff's document at Docket No. 1-1 does not comply with Local Special Rule 2-1 ("LSR 2-1"). Under LSR 2-1, a civil rights complaint filed by a person who is not represented by an attorney must be submitted on the form provided by the Court or must be legible and contain substantially all the information called for by the court's form. As such, the Court grants Plaintiff a **one-time** extension until on or before **September 28, 2021**, to submit a complaint on his own behalf to the Court in compliance with LSR 2-1. The Court will also provide Plaintiff a copy of the Court's § 1983 complaint form with instructions.

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Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an inmate seeking to begin a civil action in this Court may apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in order to file the civil action without prepaying the full \$402 filing fee.¹ To apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit all three of the following documents to the Court:

(1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate**, this Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),

(2) a **Financial Certificate** properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and

(3) a copy of the **inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous six-month period.**

The Court will grant Plaintiff a **one-time** extension to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* containing all three of the required documents, or in the alternative, pay the full \$402 filing fee for this action on or before **September 28, 2021**. Absent unusual circumstances, the Court will not grant any further extensions of time. If Plaintiff does not file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three required documents or pay the full \$402 filing fee on or before **September 28, 2021**, this case will be subject to dismissal without prejudice for Plaintiff to file a new case with the Court when Plaintiff has all three of the documents needed to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays the full \$402 filing fee.

A dismissal without prejudice means Plaintiff does not give up the right to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to submit with an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Alternatively, Plaintiff may choose not to file an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and instead pay the full filing fee of \$402 on or before **September 28, 2021** to proceed with this case.

¹ Plaintiff has initiated numerous other cases in this Court without either paying the filing fee or filing an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Plaintiff is on notice that he must comply with the requirements set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2. Failure to do so in the future may result in sanctions.

1 **II. CONCLUSION**

2 For the foregoing reasons, IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will send to
3 Plaintiff the approved form for filing a § 1983 complaint, instructions for the same, and a copy of
4 his original document at Docket No. 1-1.

5 IT IS FURTHER ORDERD that Plaintiff will have until on or before **September 28, 2021**
6 to submit a complaint on his own behalf to the Court in compliance with LSR 2-1.

7 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff does not file a complaint in compliance with
8 LSR 2-1 on or before **September 28, 2021**, this case will be subject to dismissal without prejudice
9 for Plaintiff to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff is able to
10 file a complaint in compliance with LSR 2-1.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will send Plaintiff the approved
12 form application to proceed *in forma pauperis* by an inmate, as well as the document entitled
13 information and instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application.

14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, on or before **September 28, 2021**, Plaintiff will either
15 pay the full \$402 filing fee for a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$52
16 administrative fee) or file with the Court:

17 (1) a completed **Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate** on this Court's
18 approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 of the form with the inmate's two signatures on page
19 3),

20 (2) a **Financial Certificate** properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official
21 (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and

22 (3) a copy of the **inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the previous**
23 **six-month period.**

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff does not file a fully complete an application
2 to proceed *in forma pauperis* with all three documents or pay the full \$402 filing fee for a civil
3 action on or before **September 28, 2021**, this case will be subject to dismissal without prejudice
4 for Plaintiff to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff has all three
5 documents needed to file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis* or pays the full \$402
6 filing fee.

7 DATED: July 30, 2021.

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10 NANCY J. KOPPE
11 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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